an area of 60,000 ha over a period of 5 years, at a total cost of Rs.230.58 crore with a Central subsidy of Rs.120.00 crore The component wise details of the project are given in the Statement (*See* below).

The eligibility criteria adopted to identify the beneficiaries under the scheme areas follows:

1. The planter should have minimum of 10 Nos. of pepper standards with 2 vines per standard.
2. The maximum number of pepper standards per beneficiary should be 1080 Nos. having 2 vines per standard, irrespective of size of the holding.
3. The plantation should maintain a minimum plant spacing of 2.5 M x 2.5 M.

Statement

Project for Pepper Development in Idukki District of Kerala

(Rs. in Crore)

	Components	Total Project cost (5 years)	Financial assistance Under NHM (5 years)
A.	Production of planting material- Establishing of Small nursery units (300 Nos.-1 Ha each private sector)	9.00	4.50
B.	Replanting/Rejuvenation of senile plantations-(60,000 ha)	180.00	90.00
C.	Organic farming – construction of Vermi Compost units (3680 units)	22.08	11.00
D.	Promotion of IPM – 50000 ha	10.00	5.00
E.	HRD – Training for planting material production, GAP etc.	1.00	1.00
G.	Functional Infrastructure	2.50	2.50
H.	Implementation Cost	6.00	6.00
	TOTAL:	230.58	120.00

Harvesting process under crop insurance

†126. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Rajasthan has sought any suggestion and advice and had

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

correspondence with the Union Government in respect of crops harvesting processes under crop insurance;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any technical Advisory Committee has been constituted under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (Credit) by the Government in respect of above and it has to issue guidelines;

(d) if so, the details of progress made in this regard;

(e) whether Government is going to issue any amendment in respect of crop harvesting processes under crop insurance at All India Level; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) and (b) The State Government of Rajasthan vide their communication have expressed difficulty in the maintenance of single series of Crop Cutting Experiments (CCEs) both for production estimates as well as for National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS). Consultations with National Sample Survey Organization (NSSO) have been made and it has been felt that there are difficulties in combining the two series, on account of certain technical reasons/requirements.

(c) The scheme provides, a Standing Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) at national level which comprise representatives from National Sample Survey Organization, Ministry of Agriculture and Implementing Agency to decide on all technical matters including sample size of CCEs for making assessment of yield.

(d) The efforts made for exploring the possibilities of an alternative methodology for making assessment of yield under NAIS. At the instance of the Government of India, Indian Agricultural Statistics Research Institute (IASRI) have undertaken a study on authenticity and applicability of an alternative methodology namely, Small Area Crop Estimation Approach (SACEA). Similarly, Satellite Remote Sensing Technology is also being tested in the field for its reliability and acceptability through a pilot project.

(e) No, Madam.

(f) Does not arise.

Road-map for dairy development

127. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:
SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the road-map of Government for dairy development in the country;

(b) the proposal that have been received by Government from Rajasthan under Consolidated Dairy Development Planning;

(c) the details of action being taken on those proposals;